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Secy of the Treasury

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New Orleans 17th July 1866.

To the Hon^d. N. M. Cullock }
 Secretary of Treasury }
 Washington D. C. }

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Dr. Banzano Supt. of the Mint, has kindly consented to forward this communication to you. Trusting that under these circumstances, you will consent & permit the use of the Press

I have the honor to remain
 Most Respectfully
 Your obt. servt.
 C. H. Zimmermann
 pp^t. E. Lachenmeyer

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[Endorsement on back of letter.]

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Secretary of the Treasury

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